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JASPER INDIANA

People are overworking their worries this year.

A pound does not always seem to be a pound when it is sterling.

Not even if she could, would the summer girl change her sun spots.

The bear that walks like a man also takes his medicine like a man.

If Europe knows how it is going to pay its war debts it is wiser than the rest of the world.

"Blessed are the peacemakers," but it is observed they get few monuments.

About the stubbornness of all men to a partisan is one who insists on being a pro-neutral.

Few men seem capable of dodging when a senatorial bee comes buzzing around their heads.

"Faithful are the wounds of a friend;" but it is noticed they are never inflicted in the back.

Folk who used to go to Europe to get "finished" are now displaying good American sense by letting the natives do it.

It makes no difference what kind of car a man buys; after he has had it a few days it is the only make on the market.

If you want to find out how great a man is, ask him; if you want to ascertain how great he isn't, ask his neighbors.

A New York barber is the proud father of his nineteenth child in 21 years. That is quite a bunch of little shavers, eh?

Considerable hardship would be avoided if the girls would send their summer furs to the soldiers before the winter sets in.

When a man is confronted with a lot of his old love letters in a breach of promise suit he realizes that kind words never die.

When you see a man who thinks he knows it all, it is a public calamity when the fool wagon is late in making its schedule.

The lucky pugilist is the youngster who discovers the psychological moment when a champion is ripe for the down-and-out class.

It is true a wife worries entirely too much about her husband, but probably she couldn't live with him at all if she didn't worry about him.

The suggestion of a minimum pay for pastors is met with the retort that not a few of them are now getting it, which is just the trouble.

Another Portuguese revolt has been quelled. Curious thing about these Portuguese revolts—they are never heard of until squashed.

"This is a fine east wind!" said an optimist. Whereupon a pessimist replied, "Yes, and I think it will be Easter before it is over."

The first time you meet a woman she'll tell you her troubles if she has a chance; the second time you meet her she'll make the chance.

The announcement that there will be new fashions in jewelry is not of first importance in the eyes of the man who is humping to meet the payments on his home.

Hoboes will find added argument against the malpractice of bathing in the fact that a California man was killed when he slipped up in a bathtub.

The man who finds these times in which we live dull would obtain of the lack of thrill in the crater of a volcano in violent eruption.

To the casual observer it would appear that a nation with abundant crops and an enormous supply of inexpensive automobiles ought in some way to manage to be happy.

It seems impossible to keep the money and property fairly divided, but so far we have failed to hear of anybody who claimed to have been relieved of his share of the trouble.

A Memphis editor wants to know why Noah, after saving the human race didn't render the next most valuable service possible to mankind in his power by swatting the only two flies he had on board.

It's only in golf championship tournaments that the poor players are eliminated. The rest of the year they clutter up the links frightfully.

In making an effort to know himself many a man wastes a lot of time that he might spend in trying to form more agreeable acquaintances.

People are always proud of their children. If a baby is quiet they brag about its gentle disposition and if it is noisy they're glad it has an energetic nature.

PRESIDENT TO WED

WILSON ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT TO WASHINGTON WIDOW AT WHITE HOUSE DINNER.

WEDDING DATE NOT KNOWN

Mrs. Norman Galt, Widow of Late Jeweler, Will Become "First Lady" Soon—Executive Was Introduced by Daughter Margaret.

Board the President's Train, Manhattan Transfer, N. J., Oct. 11.—President Wilson placed upon the finger of his fiancée, Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt, the engagement ring that seals their betrothal. It is a magnificent diamond solitaire. The ring was purchased at the establishment of a Fifth avenue jeweler in New York city, presumably by Joseph Tumulty, the president's secretary.

Date of Wedding Not Announced. Washington, Oct. 7.—Announcement was made at the White House on Wednesday night of the engagement of President Woodrow Wilson to Mrs. Norman Galt of this city.

Mrs. Galt, the bride-to-be, is the widow of a Washington jeweler who died eight years ago. She is of Virginia birth and about ten years younger than the president.

The date of the wedding was not given in the statement announcing the engagement, but it is believed the event will take place within a short time.

The official announcement follows: "The White House, Washington, Oct. 6, 1915.—The announcement was made today of the engagement of Mrs. Norman Galt of this city to President Woodrow Wilson."

Wedding in Galt Home.

It became known that in all probability the wedding will take place at Mrs. Galt's home here in the presence of the two families and most intimate friends. The tentative date is understood to be early in December, although a well-defined rumor places the event late in November that the president may have a few days of honeymoon before congress convenes.

President Wilson, wearing a white flower in his buttonhole, and looking to be in high spirits, went to his desk in the executive office early. The first to congratulate him were members of the White House staff, and then dozens of callers began to arrive. The president received the majority of them.

Bride-to-Be Born in Virginia.

Mrs. Galt, who will be the next first lady of the land, is the widow of a business man of Washington, Norman Galt, a partner in a prominent jewelry firm, who died eight years ago. She has resided here since her marriage. Mrs. Galt was Miss Edith Bolling and was born in Wytheville, Va. Her father was Hon. William H. Bolling, a well-known lawyer of that section of Virginia. Her family is distinguished in Virginia and Mrs. Galt is related to many of the best families of the Old Dominion.

Wilson Introduced by Daughter.

The president met his fiancée through his daughter, Miss Margaret Wilson, and his cousin, Miss Helen Woodrow Bones, who is a member of the White House household. Mrs. Galt is one of Miss Bones' most intimate friends and spent a month at the summer White House at Cornish as the guest of Miss Bones and Miss Wilson.

Announced at Dinner.

An informal dinner party was given at the White house last night, which Mrs. Galt attended, to celebrate the announcement of the engagement. The other guests were Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. McAdoo, the Misses Smith, the president's cousins from New Orleans; Miss Helen Woodrow Bones and Col. H. Brown, another cousin from Atlanta.

Mrs. Wilson Died 14 Months Ago. Fourteen months ago to a day the president's first wife, who was Miss Ellen Axson, died in the White House.

Resembles Mrs. Wilson.

Mrs. Galt's resemblance to the late Mrs. Wilson has frequently excited comment. She is a strikingly pretty woman in her late forties, slightly below medium height, has a graceful, rather plump figure. Her hair is brown and her eyes are gray blue. Her prettiest feature is her mouth, which is curved and expressive. President Wilson will be fifty-nine years old in December.

CHICAGO'S LID ON SUNDAY

Only 13 of City's 7,136 Saloons Open—Thirsty Residents Leave Town During Day.

Chicago, Oct. 11.—Chicago's first week end on the water wagon was a complete, unqualified success. For twelve long hours the Sahara desert, the Congressional Record or any of the other notable dregs had absolutely nothing on Chicago. The few minor infractions of the law discovered by the police only served to emphasize the general observance of the law. Thirteen of the 7,136 saloonkeepers in the city were declared to have failed to observe the Sunday closing order to the letter. Many residents found it comparatively simple to get outside the corporate limits of Chicago and quench their thirst.

Five Injured in Wreck.

Mansfield, O., Oct. 9.—Five persons were injured, two seriously, when an excursion train over the Pennsylvania railroad, returning from the county fair at Coshocton, was wrecked at Walbonding, near here.

FRED A. BRITTEN



Congressman Fred A. Britten of Chicago, who has been making a tour of the Orient, declares the Japanese peril is a serious menace to the United States, especially in view of the fact that Japan is building up a navy much faster than is this country.

MAYOR BELL TAKES STAND AND DENIES ALL CHARGES

Indianapolis Executive Says He Didn't Give Bills to "Bud" Gibson—Explains Receipt.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 8.—Practically a complete denial of having knowledge of wrongdoing on the part of anybody in the primaries, registration sessions and general election was made by Mayor Joseph E. Bell, on the witness stand in his own behalf in the case in which he is accused of conspiring to commit a felony at the primaries, registration sessions and general election of 1914, in the criminal court.

In the course of his testimony Mayor Bell denied absolutely that he gave James ("Bud") Gibson \$11 in one-dollar bills election day as Gibson had testified. He denied conversing with E. J. O'Leary in regard to elections or the use of repeaters as O'Leary had testified.

Mr. Bell asserted, in explanation of the testimony concerning the receipt by himself of \$500 from Lucius D. Hamilton the day before the primaries, that he had left the money in a strong-box in the Denison hotel until the day after the primaries, when he turned it over to Jackie Joseph, committee treasurer. He said that it formed a part of a payment amounting to \$3,070 credited on the treasurer's report to himself and Thomas Taggart.

A long explanation of the visit of Mr. Bell and Mr. Taggart to the home of John Kitley, county commissioner, the Sunday before the list of inspectors for the registration and election was announced was made by Mr. Bell. In the course of it Mr. Bell insisted that his only object was the selection of Democrats who were known to be loyal to the Democratic candidates.

WHEAT RECORDS SMASHED

United States, for First Time in History, Produces Billion Bushels of Grain.

Washington, Oct. 8.—For the first time in its history United States this year produced a billion bushels of wheat. The crop reporting board, department of agriculture, estimated that this year's crop based on October 1 indication would total 1,002,000,000 bushels. Last year's output was \$91,000,000 bushels. Record crops also were produced in oats and barley. With an estimated outturn of 1,517,000,000 bushels the oats crop overran the September forecast by 109,000,000 bushels and surpassed any previous crop. The barley crop is 237,000,000 bushels.

CANAL BLOCKED FOR MONTH

War Department Will Refund Advance Dues of Delayed Ships—Troops Go Into Camp.

Washington, Oct. 8.—No proclamation will be issued by President Wilson formally closing to navigation the Panama canal blocked by earth slides. War department officials said there was no necessity for such action, as nature had already closed the waterway for a month at least. The department approved the recommendation of Acting Governor Harding, that dues paid in advance by delayed vessels be refunded. The Twenty-seventh infantry, en route to the Philippines, via the canal, has been ordered into camp.

Wisconsin Hotel Held Up.

Racine, Wis., Oct. 9.—Two masked automobile bandits held up the Lake Side hotel south of the city limits, and taking valuables and jewelry escaped after a wild chase toward the city.

Pay \$1,605,225,000 on Loan.

Berlin, Oct. 11 (via wireless).—Payments on subscriptions to the third German war loan up to October 7 amounted to \$1,605,225,000.

BELGRADE IS TAKEN

WAR OFFICE AT NISH IN OFFICIAL STATEMENT SAYS GERMANS CAPTURED SERBIAN CITY.

HEAVY LOSSES FOR TEUTONS

Serbian Repulsed Attacks on the Lower Drina—Bulgaria Enters War in Behalf of the Teutonic Allies—Greece to Remain Neutral.

Paris, Oct. 11.—An official statement issued by the war office at Nish was given out in the afternoon at the Serbian legation here and is as follows: "Belgrade has fallen into the hands of the Germans after a desperate resistance."

Fighting continues all along the Danube and Save fronts. The purpose of the enemy is to advance through the Morava valley, separating Kostolac (38 miles southeast of Belgrade) from Dubravatz (on the Danube 35 miles east of Belgrade) where his chief efforts are concentrated.

The enemy suffered enormous losses in making unsuccessful attacks on the lower Drina. The enemy has been thrown back on an island he occupied before opening operations."

The war office at Berlin issued the following official statement: In the Balkans: The city of Belgrade and the heights to the southwest and to the southeast have fallen into our hands. The Serbians were thrown back from their positions further to the east and we are still advancing.

Bulgars Enter War.

London, Oct. 9.—With the great Austro-German offensive to crush Serbia finally under way, Bulgaria is now reported to have struck her first blow in behalf of the Teutonic allies.

In addition to the German and Austro-Hungarian troops, variously estimated at from 400,000 to 1,000,000 men, driving against the Serb positions on the Danube, Drina and Save river fronts, a Bulgarian army has crossed the frontier into Serbian Macedonia, according to advices from Rome.

Bombard Serb Capital.

Nish, the Serb capital, has been bombarded from the air. An aeroplane, which flew from Bulgaria, dropped shells upon the Saloniki-Nish railway and upon the Serbian capital, killing five persons and wounding two others. It returned to Bulgarian soil undamaged.

Serbs Report Big Victory.

The advance guard of the Austro-Germans who crossed the Danube at Belgrade, has been partly destroyed and partly captured, and those who entered Serbian territory across the Save have met with enormous losses, according to an official dispatch received by the Serbian legation from Nish.

Greece to Be Neutral.

The new Greek coalition cabinet decided that it was not called upon to enter the war in defense of Serbia, and, according to Berlin advices, Bulgaria issued a manifesto announcing her intention to enter the war on the side of the central powers.

Envoys of the allied powers left Sofia, according to Athens dispatches.

WHITE SOX WINS CITY FLAG

Defeat Cubs 11 to 3—Capture Series From Nationals for Fifth Successive Time.

Chicago, Oct. 11.—It's all over now. Those rampant White Sox went out yesterday, tore the hide off the Cub forces with an impressive exhibition of skill, copped a one-sided clash by 11 to 3, brought home their fifth successive city championship and sent a howling mob of 32,666 away from Comiskey park convinced that it was more than a "jinx" that routed the West side clan so decisively in four out of five games played.

FRENCH TRENCHES ARE TAKEN

Several Positions Captured by Germans East of Souchez, Says Berlin.

Berlin, Oct. 11 (via London).—The official statement issued here is as follows:

The French lost several trenches and one machine gun in an action fought on a hill to the east of Souchez. Counter-attacking at Tahure, we regained several hundred meters of trench over a front of four kilometers (about two and one-half miles).

MANY ATTEND RILEY BANQUET

Scores of Telegrams Received at Claypool Hotel in Indianapolis From Friends of Poet.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 8.—Four hundred friends of James Whitcomb Riley attended the banquet in honor of his birthday at the Claypool hotel on Thursday night. It was probably the most notable gathering of men or letters at one table that ever was held in this country. Charles W. Fairbanks, the toastmaster, read a number of telegrams sent to Mr. Riley.

Zaimis Heads New Cabinet.

Athens, Oct. 1.—Former Premier Zaimis will head the new Greek cabinet. This was decided upon after a conference between King Constantine, former Premier Zaimis and Thalis, M. Gounaris and others. It was decided to form a coalition government without M. Venizelos.

QUEEN OF GREECE



The queen of Greece, who is a sister of the German kaiser, is given the credit for foiling the diplomacy of the Entente powers and keeping Greece from giving armed aid to Serbia.

CRANK TRIES TO SEE PRESIDENT AT BALTIMORE

Police Halt Foreigner as He Enters Church—Mrs. Galt With the President.

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 11.—Shadowed from the time he was first detected by secret service men, Joseph Pruijk, who says he is from Brussels, was halted at the door of the Franklin Street Presbyterian church yesterday when he started to enter the edifice immediately after President Wilson, his fiancée, Mrs. Norman Galt, and party.

When Wilson, Mrs. Galt and the other visitors started for the church Pruijk moved along on the opposite side of the street.

Reaching the church the presidential party entered. Pruijk came up. A police sergeant escorted him out.

Prujk said he had been in this country three months and had been in Washington three days. He is kept under surveillance.

BERLIN YIELDS TO WILSON

Von Bernstorff Notifies Lansing That Germany Disavows Arabic Sinkings—To Pay Indemnity.

Washington, Oct. 6.—Safety of non-combatants in the naval "war zone" is assured. Washington officialdom declares President Wilson has won a signal victory for the principles for which he has contended in the submarine warfare controversy with Germany.

Germany, through Count Johann von Bernstorff, her ambassador, disavowed the sinking of the liner Arabic and promised the Washington government it would indemnify it for the loss of all American lives. Germany has yielded on all points brought to its attention by the United States.

WAR GAME COMES TO AN END

United States Is Theoretically Invaded by the Enemy Landing in Delaware Bay.

Washington, Oct. 11.—The United States has been invaded by a foreign foe. The "Red" fleet—theoretically, the enemy—effected a landing in Delaware bay, getting past the "Blue" defending fleet. This brought the "war game" of the Atlantic fleet to an end on Saturday. Rear Admiral Knight commanding the invading fleet, and Admiral Fletcher directing the "Blue" squadron.

ROBBERS OVERLOOKED NOTES

Bandits Failed to Get Federal Reserve Money—Not More Than \$100,000 Taken.

Washington, Oct. 11.—Chief Inspector Gregory of the post office department announced that the \$1,000,000 in federal reserve notes which was on the train robbed near Central, W. Va., is safe. He declared that the bandits overlooked the notes. Post office officials early said the robbers did not get more than \$100,000.

J. KIRBY, UNION LEADER, DIES

President of Carpenter's Brotherhood Expires After Operation for Appendicitis.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 9.—James Kirby, president of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, died here. An operation for appendicitis was performed and he did not recover from the shock. He was fifty years old.

Bank Cashier Is Indicted.

Chicago, Oct. 8.—Max Palenske, former assistant cashier of the Drovers' National bank, was indicted by the federal grand jury in connection with the misapplication of funds of the bank. The indictment contains three counts, charging misapplication of funds, the making of false entries and defalcation of \$33,000.

INDIANA BREVITIES

Fort Wayne.—Automobile repairing is the newest subject to be taught in the local public vocational schools. The subject will be taught in a night school to about fifty men, who have applied for the course.

Valparaiso.—E. M. Burns of this place and J. T. Troutner of Chicago, la., comrades in Hancock's corps when guarding the Lincoln assassination conspirators, met here for the first time in 50 years. Mr. Troutner stopped off on his way from Washington.

New Albany.—Preston McAllister, six-year-old son of Michael McAllister, was killed here in an unusual manner. He was hanging on the rear of a wagon loaded with corn when the endgate gave way and the corn spilled on top of him, killing him almost instantly.

Newcastle.—Henry Stiggleman, age forty-six, a well-known resident of Newcastle, committed suicide in Cincinnati by hanging. Stiggleman was a plasterer and left this city two months ago. Ill health is assigned as the cause. The widow and two children live in Newcastle.

Bloomington.—Perry Eads, thirty, the grocer, who was found along the tracks in the Monon yards with his skull crushed, died here without regaining consciousness. The police believe William Mershon, a paroled convict, murdered Eads and they placed him in jail.

Newcastle.—Everett Perkins, twenty years old, was arrested here charged with the theft of an automobile from Edward C. Ilg, 109 Lemcke building, Indianapolis, August 3. Perkins had been in Newcastle about six weeks and had been using the automobile as a "jitney" bus. Discovery came about through a letter written by Perkins to a Walter Clark in Indianapolis. The letter by mistake was delivered to Walter Clark, an attorney, whose automobile was stolen some time ago. He came to Newcastle to see the machine, but learned that it belonged to Ilg.

Shelbyville.—Napa (Cal.) newspapers received here give details of a double tragedy in which Carl Lisher, twenty-six years old, formerly of Shelby county, shot and killed Miss Lillian Behrens, twenty-four years old, and then killed himself. The shooting occurred at a dance when the girl was drinking punch with a rival of Lisher. The youth was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Seth Lisher. The family left here seven years ago to engage in the furniture business at Napa. The girl had been employed for a time at the Lisher store as bookkeeper. The Lishers have many relatives in Shelby, Marion and Hancock counties. No word of the tragedy reached here in advance of the Napa papers.

Greencastle.—A big touring car carrying two men and two women and driven at a high speed, went off the high bridge in the National road over the Monon railroad at Putnamville and after tearing down considerable of the heavy board fence, landed in the mud. The car bore a Pennsylvania license tag and the men and women, who refused to give their names, were on the way from Pittsburgh to St. Louis. One of the women's ears was almost torn off and one man was badly injured when one of the heavy boards struck him. The Putnamville bridge has been the scene of many accidents.

Princeton.—Recently the silver chest of the United Presbyterian church was robbed of eight dozen silver spoons and six dozen silver knives and forks, valued at \$200. In the First Methodist church, three blocks away, when prayer meeting was being held, the janitor found hidden behind lumber in the basement, which was being remodeled, a large bucket with the missing silver in it. The silver was marked "U. P." One theory is the thief, finding the silverware marked, was afraid to return to the United Presbyterian church, and left it in the Methodist church basement. Another is that the thief was frightened from the Methodist church when there to rob that church and left the loot there in a hurry to escape.

Logansport.—James Nelson, coroner of Cass county, rendered a verdict in which he holds Ellis Wood, age twenty-nine, of Carroll county, for the murder of Walter Collins, aged sixteen, of Howard county, on the night of September 5, near Young America. Coroner Nelson examined 67 witnesses and says the testimony shows that Wood was the last one seen with Collins on the night of the murder, and that he had on his person, when arrested, a 32-caliber revolver, the same caliber as that with which Collins was killed. The coroner will send a copy of his verdict to the Howard county grand jury. Wood is said to have been jealous of Collins' attentions to Luella Foreman, a fourteen-year-old Young America high school girl. Wood is in jail here.

Indianapolis.—The National Association of Fire Insurance Agents closed a three days' session here with the election of E. C. Roth of Buffalo, N. Y., as president and H. H. Putnam of Boston as secretary-treasurer.

Danville.—Louis Harris, forty-three years old, living at Maplewood, five miles north of here, who was killed near Avon, is believed to have jumped off a freight train on the Big Four railroad. He had been drinking heavily for several days. When he left home he said he was going to Indianapolis to work as a barber. He leaves a widow and a son.